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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 20, 2007, Applicant hereby provisionally elects for continued examination the subject matter of **Group IV**, directed to claims 22-25 and 30, drawn to a crystal.

Additionally, reconsideration of the restriction is requested in view of the following remarks. It is respectfully submitted that since the invention of Group V relates to a process for preparing the crystal of Group IV, the inventions of Groups IV and V are linked so as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. As such, the subject matter of both Groups may properly be examined together in the present application.

Moreover, it is respectfully submitted that search and examination of the two Groups (IV and V) could be conducted without any undue burden on the Office.

Alternately, in the event the restriction requirement is maintained, Applicant further respectfully requests that the Examiner consider rejoinder of those claims listed in Group V following the search.

The afore-mentioned election is being made solely to comply with, and be fully responsive to, the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action. The right to file one or more divisional applications on non-elected subject matter is reserved.

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